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# RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement in the Office Action of September 25, 2003, applicants elect, without traverse, for further prosecution in this application the invention of the group I claims, i.e., the invention of claims 1-11, 41-53 and 67-81.

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Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your letter of October 24, 2003 with applicant's comments and instructions for replying to the Office Action mailed in the above application on September 25, 2003.

We enclose copies of papers comprising our response, filed by facsimile certification on October 24, 2003.

We shall advise further on receiving the next PTO communication in this case.

Very truly yours,

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